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SUBJECT: AEQUOR OPERATIONS

Indicated herewith the status of past, current, and contemplated AEQUOR operations:

I. PAST AEQUOR ACTIVITIES:

A. TEAM I:

AEQUOR Team I was composed of CAMPOSANTO 1.
CAMPO 1 trained in S/W (no W/T training)
DZ: Air dropped 21-22 September 1951 at Levkovo, Vyanenskoi
volost', Il'sko rayon, Molodechno Oblast, Byelorussia.
TARGET: General--area between Minsk and Vileka
Specific--vicinity of Levkovo, Molodechno Oblast.
MISSION: Establish contact with partisan groups
Establish support bases
Gather available intelligence information
Gather document intelligence
CONTACT: To communicate by S/W via open mail to letter drop
in Poland.
EXFILTRATION: To remain 1 month in Byelorussia
To exfiltrate through Poland, Soviet Zone of
Germany into Berlin.
SUCCESS: 1 letter received 6 January 1952
1 letter received 20 March 1952 (last contact)
NO MESSAGES

B. TEAM II:

AEQUOR Team II was composed of CAMPOSANTO's 4, 6, 8, and 9.
CAMPO 6 and 9 trained in W/T
DZ: Air dropped in August 1952 near KAMEN, within the MILEBOKI
forest, about 60 km NNE of BARANOVICHI and about 50 km
W of MINSK.
TARGET: General--area in vicinity of MINSK
Specific--vicinity of village NOVOGRUDOK
MISSION: Establish clandestine radio and support point to
serve as PI collection point.
Establish permanent operational support facilities.
Determine extent of resistance movement.
CONTACT: Original contact established 31 August 1952
Contact maintained until winter season
Contact re-established February 1953

II. CURRENT AEQUOR ACTIVITIES:

A. TEAM II:

Blind broadcasts until CAMPO 9 indicated will be able to

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relative messages 27 Jan, 16 Feb, and 24 Feb 1953.
Contact made 23 Feb 53 but field very weak; re-scheduled
for 24 Feb.

Message received 24 Feb 53:

Indicates CAMPO 4 legally established.

(CAMPO 6 killed shortly after dropped in DZ)

CAMPO 4 has made contact with civilians in NOVOGRUDOK

Plans made to move base in spring.

Next blind broadcast scheduled for 11 and 27 March.

B. RESUPPLY MISSION:

CAMPO 3 and 10, CAPTOR and GANASTA were scheduled for 1953
mission. (All dropped with exception of CAPTOR.)

CAPTOR with receipt of POC is undergoing training.

CAPTOR will be dispatched as W/T man if requested by
ABQUOR Team II.

III. FUTURE ABQUOR OPERATIONS:

Future ABQUOR operations are entirely dependent upon
CAMBISTA 1 success in recruiting agent candidates.

Census of Byelorussian population and spotting of
qualified youth now in process in United States, Belgium, England,
and France.

Future ABQUOR operations dependent upon establishment
of some type of CADRE School which will permit a variety of Byelo-
russian to attend and study from which group only qualified ones
may be selected and further trained for infiltration missions.